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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter, which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR ESTIMATING THE RELATIVE INNOVATION IMPACT OF COMPANIES**

the specification of which:

X is attached hereto.

____ was filed on ____ as Application Serial No. ____ and was amended on ____ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or Inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
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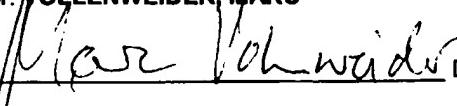
<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
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And I hereby appoint: **William L. Botjer; Reg. No.27, 990; PO Box 478, Center Moriches NY 11934** my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and to file any International Applications which are based thereon under the provisions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

Please address all communications, and direct all telephone calls, regarding this application to: William L. Botjer; Reg. No.27, 990; PO Box 478, Center Moriches NY 11934, (212) 737-5728 or (631) 874-4826.

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